1. **INTRODUCTION**

Each year the National Security College (“the College”) may award grants known as the National Security College HDR Travel Grant (“the Grant”).

The Grant is available for eligible candidates enrolled in a higher degree by research program at the College. The awards are competitive, and are based on academic merit and relevance of the Grant to the program of study.

The Grant will normally be offered in first semester; however, if not taken up, the College may offer a Grant in the second semester of that year.

2. **VALUE**

The Grant is valued at $5000 in 2012. The Grant shall contribute towards paying domestic or overseas travel costs to undertake research or attend conferences of relevance to the program of study. The value of the Grant will be reviewed annually.

The Grant does not cover any necessary admissions and deposit fees, the payment of reading and study materials, living expenses (other than approved travel per diems associated with the travel proposal), accommodation or any other costs associated with studying.

3. **ELIGIBILITY**

The Grant shall be available to an applicant who:

- Is an Australian citizen, a New Zealand Citizen or an Australian Permanent Resident
- Is enrolled in a higher degree by research program offered by the National Security College
- Has not previously received a National Security College Travel Grant.

4. **APPLICATION**

There will be a call for applications at least once each year by the College. Applicants must provide:

- A statement of aims of no more than 500 words to support their application
- A current Curriculum Vitae of no more than 3 pages
- The names of two (2) academic referees
- An outline budget showing how Grant funds will be used.
5. SELECTION

A Selection Committee will be appointed and will make a recommendation for the award of this grant based on academic merit and the applicant's statement of aims. Consideration may also be given to any other factors which the Selection Committee considers to be appropriate and in line with the College’s strategic direction and priorities.

The Grant shall not be awarded if, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, there is no candidate of sufficient merit. The College reserves the right to make no awards in a given year, to vary the number of awards or to make an award/s at other times in exceptional circumstances as determined by the Director of the College (or nominee). The College reserves the right to revise the awards from time to time.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF OTHER GRANTS/SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS

The recipient must obtain permission from the Director of the College (or nominee) to hold any other type of grant, scholarship or award concurrently with a National Security College Travel Grant.

Failure to declare and obtain permission to hold another award or scholarship may result in the recipient being required to refund the Grant to the College, as determined by the Director of the College (or nominee).

7. CANDIDATURE

The recipient must be enrolled and remain enrolled on a full time or part time basis in a higher degree by research program offered by the National Security College while the proposed travel is being undertaken.

8. COMMENCEMENT & DEFERRAL

The recipient is expected to complete their travel within twelve (12) months of the date of offer, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer or approved by the Director of the College.

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The Grant may not be deferred. The Grant shall be payable to the successful applicant in a way determined by the Committee.

9. TERMINATION AND WITHDRAWAL FROM PROGRAM

The Grant will terminate upon completion of the proposed travel, or on the date on which the recipient ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences, whichever is the earlier.

The Grant will terminate if the recipient does not fulfill their enrolment obligations as specified in Clause 7 Candidature, or does not complete the proposed travel. The recipient may have to repay all or some of the Grant back to the University. This determination will be made by the Director of the College (or nominee).

10. TAXATION

It is the recipient's responsibility to determine the taxation implications of the award, if any, which apply to his/her individual circumstances.
11. ACCOMMODATION

It is the recipient’s responsibility to obtain residential accommodation. Information on student accommodation and application forms are available from the University Accommodation Services. Information may be found on the Web at: http://accom.anu.edu.au

12. PUBLICITY

It is anticipated that recipients may be requested to participate in publicity of the Grant from time to time. This may include publicity in the state or territory of residence or of schooling.

On occasions, the recipient may be contacted by the College to participate in activities including, but not limited to, an interview, a photograph, and a formal Grant presentation ceremony. The College may also request written responses from the recipient which can include, but is not limited to, a summary of basic profile information and descriptions of University experiences.

The University may publicise the Grant by publishing the names of the recipients. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the National Security College.

13. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

All enquiries regarding the Grant and changes, deferment and further information after acceptance should be made to:

Student Coordinator
National Security College
Building 69, 5 Liversidge St
Australian National University
Canberra ACT 0200
Phone: +61 2 6125 6131
Email: national.security.college@anu.edu.au

14. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

The recipient is subject to The Australian National University Act 1991 as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

15. DISCLAIMER

The award does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.